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## MS PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): JACOBS, Johannes W.M.

For: SEGMENTING A COMPOSITE IMAGE VIA MINIMUM AREAS

## Enclosed are:

$\boxtimes$	A specification consisting of Thirty-two (32) pages						
$\boxtimes$	Nine (9) sheet(s) formal drawings						
$\boxtimes$	An assignment of the invention						
	Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27						
	Applicant does not claim priority						
	Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 11 based on Application No(s). 02079882.3 filed in Europe of November 22, 2002.  Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.  Certified copy(ies) will follow.						
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	Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
	Preliminary Amendment
$\boxtimes$	Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
	Other:
	Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
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Respectfully submitted,

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